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Dear Dick:

I would like to thank you for your excellent presentation at our recent conference, "Perspectives on Strategic Intelligence and National Security." While the seminar certainly did not resolve all of today's pressing problems, we were able to at least explore some of the more abstract issues facing the intelligence and policy-making communities.

One of the goals I set for the conference was to examine broader problems and concerns, and I feel that the session on "Strategic Intelligence in the Contemporary Environment" certainly homed in on an area of great interest to the audience. Your overview of the intelligence community and the numerous committees overseeing its activities served as an excellent vehicle for getting that session off on the right foot. I was most pleased to hear your plea not to judge the community for its past activities based on whatever the current morality happens to be.

Again, thanks so much for your participation.

Sincerely,

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